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For: A TUBE FOR A NUCLEAR
FUEL ASSEMBLY, AND A
M E T H O D O F
MANUFACTURING SUCH A
TUBE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 4, line 1, delete "2, or 3".

Claim 7, line 1, delete "or 6".

Claim 8, line 1, delete "or 6".

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